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In re application of :
Jordan et al. :
Serial No.: 09/764,826 : Group Art Unit: 1641
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DETECTING CONCEPTION IN ANIMALS :

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 35 U.S.C. § 120, 37 C.F.R. § 1.78(a)(2) and § 1.121 and prior to the issuance of an Office Action pertaining to the above-identified patent application, please enter the following preliminary amendment and consider the following remarks.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows:

At page 1, after the title, please add the following paragraph: